



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that the shortened statutory period which was set for responding to the Office Action dated September 21, 2004 be extended for two months until February 22, 2005.

Credit Card Payment Form PTO 2038 in the amount of \$450.00 is enclosed herewith for payment of the fee associated with this Petition, as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fee or to credit any overpayment in

connection with this Petition to Deposit Account No. 23-3178. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefore and charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. 23-3178.

Dated this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of February 2005.

Respectfully submitted,



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